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I HAVE TENTATIVE APPOINTMENT TO SEE KOUN WICK AT ONE P.M.
TODAY, EARLIEST HIS PRIVATE SECRETARY COULD ARRANGE IT. I CONCUR.
THAT PASSING WORD INFORMALLY OF OUR CONCERN MIGHT BE HELPFUL.

WE UNDERSTAND SIHANOUK IS NOT RPT NOT IN TOWN; CABINET WAS
REPORTEDLY UNABLE TO MAKE UP ITS MIND ABOUT BREAKING RELATIONS
WITH U.S. AND HAS DEFERRED DECISION TO PRINCE. HOWEVER, CABINET
REPORTEDLY UNANIMOUSLY AGREED THAT CAMBODIA SHOULD ATTEND GENEVA

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CONFERENCE ON CAMBODIA. THIS, TOO, COULD BE VETOED BY PRINCE.

EMBASSY AGREES THAT ACCEPTANCE OF RESPONSIBILITY, APOLOGY
AND OFFER OF COMPENSATION IS BEST COURSE OPEN TO US EVEN THOUGH
THIS PUTS SIHANOUK IN POSITION TO SAY PRECONDITION HIS THREAT TO
BREAK RELATIONS NOW FULFILLED. WE ARE DRAFTING NOTE ALONG LINE
SUGGESTED REFTEL WHICH WILL NOT RPT NOT BE SENT PENDING FURTHER
INSTRUCTIONS.

GP-3. BERGESEN

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